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LOK SABHA

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NIC NETWORK
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts covered under the NIC Network;

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Union Government to make it operational up to the Block/Tehsil level;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when the said proposal is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SANJAY PASWAN)

(a): The number of District Centres(District Collectorates) covered are 585 districts.

(b),(c) and (d): Government had approved a plan to extend NICNET to block level in 487 blocks in all the eight North Easter States including Sikkim as a part of setting up IT based Community Information Centres(CICs) in this region. This project has since been completed by National Informatics Centre(NIC) in August, 2002. There is no other sanctioned proposal.